GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2253
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PALM CULTIVATION IN ANDAMANS AND NICOBAR ISLANDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to expand the existing palm cultivation in Andamans and Nicobar Islands in view of large scope of palm cultivation there;

(b) the total area under palm cultivation in Andaman and Nicobar Islands at present;

(c) whether any proposal for setting up a major project for palm cultivation is pending with the Union Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which it is likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): No, Sir. In view of ban imposed by Ministry of Environment & Forests during1986, the expansion of the existing palm cultivation in Andamans and Nicobar Islands is not possible at present.

(b): The Total area under palm cultivation in Andaman and Nicobar Islands is 1593 ha. at present.

(c): No, Sir.

(d) & (e): Question does not arise.